



# Elections Judicial Council Minutes

Associated Students Inc., California State University, Fullerton

2/27/2026 9:30 AMPST

@ ASI Boardroom, Titan Student Union

## Meeting Details

Meeting Called By: Chris Le, Chair

Meeting Type: Regular

Meeting Attendees: Members, Staff, Public

CSU, Fullerton students, and members of the public may submit comments regarding any item posted on this agenda or matters of importance to the student body through the [Public Comment Form](#).

Comments will be reviewed by the Board Leadership, and submissions received prior to the meeting and that are applicable to the governing body will be read during the meeting.

### 1. Call To Order (Le)

Chair Le called the meeting to order at 9:32 pm.

### 2. Roll Call

Members Present: Adebajo, Le, Mallareddygari, Salguero, Teal

Members Absent: None

Liaisons Present: Hesgard

Liaisons Absent: Vasquez (E)

According to the ASI Policy Concerning Board of Directors Operations, attendance is defined as being present prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business and remaining until the scheduled end of the meeting.

\* Indicates that the member was in attendance prior to the start of Unfinished Business but left before the scheduled end of the meeting.

\*\* Indicates that the member was in attendance for a portion of the meeting, but not in attendance prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business.

#### **Motion:**

Liaison Phillip Vasquez was excused for being absent due to university business.

Motion moved by Feyi Adebajo and motion seconded by Colson Teal.

### 3. Approval of the Agenda

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#### **Motion:**

**The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.**

Motion moved by Yashwanth Mallareddygari and motion seconded by Colson Teal.

4. Approval of Minutes

*None*

5. Public Speakers

*Members of the public may address the Elections Judicial Council on any item appearing on this posted agenda or matters of importance to Cal State Fullerton students.*

There were no public speakers.

6. Reports

A. Elections Director (Le)

Chair Le greeted everyone and noted that the campaigning period was officially halfway complete. He outlined that multiple requests for information were on the agenda and encouraged members to remain fully present and engaged throughout the discussion, concluding his report with anticipation of a productive meeting.

B. Student Government Director (Hesgard)

Chair Le yielded to Rebecca Hesgard, ASI Director of Student Government. Hesgard emphasized that the session would involve many requests for information and encouraging members to provide feedback to ensure all candidates had consistent guidance. She shared that the elections team would host a debate and candidate meet-and-greet the following Wednesday at Becker Amphitheater and invited all EJC members to attend. She also reminded members that ASI scholarships would close on March 1 and encouraged anyone with drafted applications to submit them. Finally, she highlighted that the commissions had recently held their first Impact Week, with the Lobby Corps initiative hosting a virtual survey that members were encouraged participate.

7. Time Certain

*None*

8. Unfinished Business

*None*

9. New Business

A. Information: Request for Information #1, #2, #4 and #5 (Le)

*The Elections Judicial Council will receive information on Request for Information #1, #2, #4, and #5.*

Chair Le yielded to Rebecca Hesgard, ASI Director of Student Government. Hesgard reviewed four Requests for Information (RFIs) received from candidates and the Committee's responses. Items #1 and #2 asked for the election voting link and a list of candidates. She explained that the voting link would be [vote.fullerton.edu](http://vote.fullerton.edu), open March 10–11, and that an unofficial candidate list had initially been shared with instructions not to distribute; the official list was now publicly available. Item #4 inquired about how the voting link would be circulated. Hesgard noted that the elections team planned to display a pop-up in the student portal on election days, promote the ballot via social media, and encouraged candidates to share the link as well. Item #5 asked whether candidates could share campaign information on external social media groups and requested details on instant-runoff voting procedures. Hesgard clarified that candidates could share information with groups where they were

members or had permission from leadership, but not with groups. She also explained that instant-runoff voting involved ranking candidates, eliminating the lowest first-choice candidate, and transferring votes based on subsequent preferences until a majority (50% +1) was achieved, referencing the Simply Voting platform for tabulation details.

Chair Le opened the floor to questions.

There were no questions.

 [Item 9. A RFI #1 and #2 - 2026 Redacted.pdf](#)

 [Item 9.A RFI #4 - 2026 Redacted.pdf](#)

 [Item 9.A RFI #5 - 2026 Redacted.pdf](#)

B. Discussion: Request for Information #3 (Le)

*The Elections Judicial Council will discuss and provide feedback to respond to Request for Information #3.*

Chair Le yielded to Rebecca Hesgard, ASI Director of Student Government.

Hesgard explained that item three of the RFIs had not yet been fully addressed because it involved a nuanced situation between two sections of the ASI election policy regarding endorsements. The question concerned a university-affiliated advising program that had reshared a candidate's campaign post on social media without solicitation, and the candidate asked whether this violated the endorsement rules or if promotion of such endorsements was allowed. Hesgard clarified that while the policy outlines how student clubs and organizations can endorse candidates, it does not govern official campus entities. She shared commentary from Philip Vasquez, the faculty liaison, who advised that university programs and staff must remain neutral in ASI elections to preserve trust, fairness, and integrity, and that endorsements even informal ones via official channels can create the appearance of favoritism. He suggested adding clarifying language to the election policies regarding endorsements by university departments and recommended proactive communication to guide student engagement without endorsing candidates. Hesgard emphasized that this RFI was not a complaint and that the Council was not deciding if a violation occurred; rather, it was an opportunity to clarify expectations and educate candidates on how to engage with campus programs and departments without jeopardizing election integrity.

Chair Le opened the floor to questions.

There were no questions.

Chair Le opened the floor to discussion.

- Salguero noted that the key question centers on how the "violation" section of the elections policy aligns with the endorsement section. He emphasized that while students can receive endorsements from clubs and organizations not funded by ASI (like ICC clubs), the gray area lies in defining what counts as a campus or ASI "resource." He clarified that "authority," "facilities," and "funds" are straightforward misuse of those would clearly be a violation. The ambiguity is in "resources" for example, whether the Black Student Success Advising Program's social media account counts as a resource unavailable to other students. Salguero suggested that defining what constitutes a campus resource is critical to prevent potential violations and guide candidate behavior in situations like this.
- Adebajo stressed that candidates should be clearly informed not to use university programs or accounts for promotion, as access to these resources is not equal for all students. She also noted that the policy specifies "using," meaning intentional action by the candidate, and in this case, the endorsement was posted without the candidate's request, so they should not be penalized. Clear guidance is needed to ensure fairness and avoid gray-area violations.

- Hesgard emphasized that official campus resources, like advising programs or housing accounts, count as “resources,” but “using” them implies intent. Since the candidate did not request the endorsement, it isn’t a violation. Going forward, students should avoid soliciting support from campus programs and focus only on endorsements from student organizations that don’t receive ASI funding and can provide written consent, ensuring consistency and fairness in responses.
- Adebajo raised the concern that it can be difficult to verify whether a candidate actually requested a campus program’s endorsement, since informal communications could occur without a paper trail, making it challenging to enforce rules consistently.
- Teal suggested that students should be encouraged to proactively address posts they didn’t authorize by contacting the poster, clarifying concerns, and requesting removal if necessary, which could help determine whether the action was made in good faith.
- Salguero emphasized that to prevent loopholes, endorsements should only be valid if a club provides explicit written consent; otherwise, candidates could evade accountability by claiming they were unaware of any support, undermining the policy’s intent.
- Teal suggested that future policy could include guidance for university departments and organizations, ensuring they’re informed about student elections so their actions don’t unintentionally create issues for candidates.
- Adebajo agreed, noting that collaborating with campus departments in the future could both generate more excitement for elections and ensure staff understand how to support students without creating potential policy issues for candidates.

 [Item 9. B RFI #3 - 2026 Redacted.pdf](#)

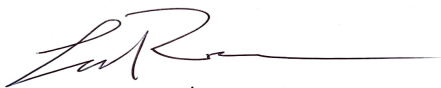
10. Announcements & Member's Privilege

None

11. Adjournment (Le)

Chair Le adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am

Reviewed and approved by the ASI Board of Directors 4/7/2026:



Luca Romero  
2026-04-09 15:38 UTC

Board Secretary



Erika Perret-Martinez  
2026-04-08 14:52 UTC

Recording Secretary

## Roll Call Spring-2026

02/27/2026 EJC MEETING

Attendance	Board Members			Present	Absent
<b>BOD</b>	<b>MALLAREDDYGARI</b>	<b>YASHWANTH</b>		1	
<b>EJC Team</b>	<b>ADEBAJO</b>	<b>FEYI</b>		1	
<b>EJC Team</b>	<b>TEAL</b>	<b>COLSON</b>		1	
<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>SALGUERO</b>	<b>JUAN</b>		1	
<b>CHAIR</b>	<b>LE</b>	<b>CHRIS</b>		1	
				Present	Absent
				5	0

Attendance	Liaisons			
			Present	Absent
<b>Campus</b>	<b>VAZQUEZ</b>	<b>PHILLIP</b>		1
<b>Advisor</b>	<b>HESGARD</b>	<b>REBECCA</b>	1	
			Present	Absent
			1	1

Recording Secretary:

Erika Perret-Martinez

# ASI Election Request for Information - 2026

COMPLETE

#1

Please use this form to file a request for information related to the ASI Student Body Election. The form requires your name, email address, and phone number as the requester. Including your contact information is required in order for the request to be reviewed and answered.

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\* Requester Name (the person filling out this form)

[REDACTED]

\* Requester Email

[REDACTED]

\* Requester Phone Number

[REDACTED]

\* Request for Information--Please include a detailed summary of your request including: The general description and specific application of what you would like to do, the ASI Bylaws clause you want clarification on and in what way, and any other pertinent information to your request.

What is the link of the election voting?

Please attach any documents and/or photos relevant and/or descriptive of your request. Combine multiple documents and/or photos into one file prior to upload.

# ASI Election Request for Information - 2026

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#2

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[REDACTED]

### \* Requester Email

[REDACTED]

### \* Requester Phone Number

[REDACTED]

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I would like to request a list of all candidates running for the Board of Directors. Thank you.

Please attach any documents and/or photos relevant and/or descriptive of your request. Combine multiple documents and/or photos into one file prior to upload.

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**RFI #1 and #2**

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**From** Hesgard, Rebecca <rmhesgard2@FULLERTON.EDU>

**Date** Wed 2/18/2026 5:54 PM

**To** ASI Elections <aselections@fullerton.edu>

**Cc**

**Bcc**

 1 attachment (82 KB)

ASI Elections 2026 - Candidates.pdf;

Good afternoon,

The ASI Elections team has received an RFI submission(s). The request(s) was reviewed by the ASI Elections Director and Elections Advisor. It was deemed appropriate to respond via email. All candidates may review the RFI language that was submitted, below, as well as the response on behalf of the ASI Elections Team.

**RFI #1:** What is the link of the election voting?

**Response to RFI #1:** The ballot for voting will be housed virtually at the link: [vote.fullerton.edu](https://vote.fullerton.edu). Students will be prompted to login with their CSUF credentials. During the voting period, March 10 (8am) until March 11 (8pm), the ballot will be live. It is currently not open for voting to occur.

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**RFI #2:** I would like to request a list of all candidates running for the Board of Directors. Thank you.

**Response to RFI #2:** The candidate information will be posted on the ASI website under the "Elections" section of the "Student Government" tab within the next week as the **Official Candidate Guide**. Until that time, please refer to the list attached for your reference.

Candidates are listed in alphabetic order by last name, and write-in candidates are not listed. This document is not intended to be distributed widely. Distribution may result in complaints or campaign violations.

All the best,  
Rebecca



**Rebecca Hesgard**

*Director, Student Government*  
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**P:** (657) 278 7201 | **O:** TSU 208

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## **ASI Board of Directors Candidates**

### ***College of the Arts***

Joshua Lopez  
Emma Rodriguez

### ***College of Business and Economics***

Jocelyn Ambrose  
Mason Box  
Adam Moughnieh  
Maddox Neville  
Manaswini Surusomayajula

### ***College of Communications***

Luca Romero

### ***College of Education***

Yahir Flores  
Jennifer Tran

### ***College of Engineering and Computer Science***

Brandon Arzabal  
Keoni Guerrero  
Anirudh Mukherjee  
Ruman Saiyed  
Jasmine Yang

### ***College of Health and Human Development***

Savannah Miller  
Mia Montalvo  
Deniz Suzer  
Aaron Vaquero

### ***College of Humanities and Social Sciences***

Mia Phao  
Amy Westen

***College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics***

Shine Aung

Eugenie Bassilly

Nanziwe Bhebhe

Liam Ryals

**ASI President and Vice President Candidates**

Jaspreet Kaur and Breanda Lopez

Elyse Ramos and Emily Clymer

Jennifer Morales and Nicole Nunez

Cesar Mendoza and Sydney Yee

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# ASI Election Request for Information - 2026


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#3

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[Redacted]

\* Requester Email

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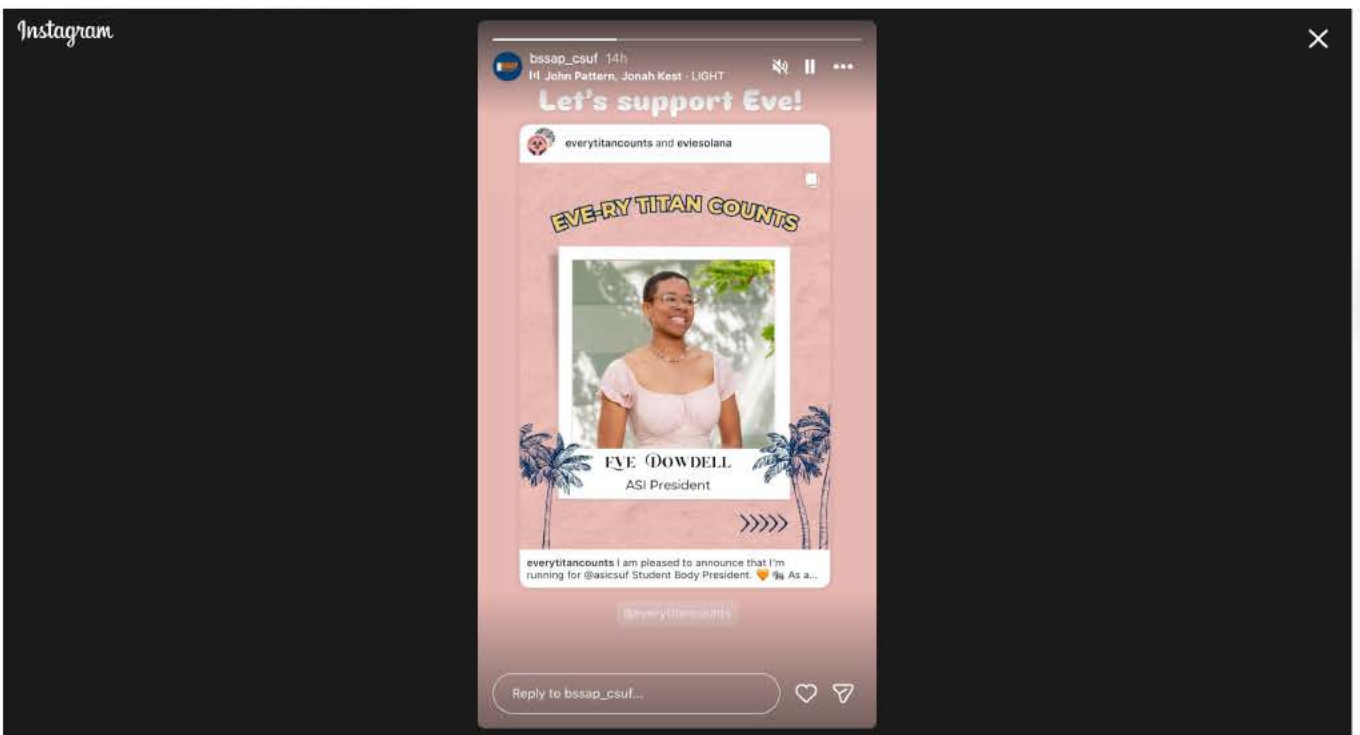
\* Requester Phone Number

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The eighth standard in the ASI bylaws outlines who can or cannot endorse a candidate. I am requesting clarification. Earlier today, the Black Student Success Advising Program reshared my campaign announcement post on their social media account's story with the caption "Let's support, Eve!" This was unprompted, and they posted it without my knowledge/request. Can you confirm if this would violate the endorsing rule? Can we promote that they endorsed me as a candidate? Thanks!

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Re: ASI Election Request for Information - 2026 [#3]

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From Hesgard, Rebecca <rmhesgard2@FULLERTON.EDU>

Date [REDACTED]

To [REDACTED]

Cc ASI Elections <aselections@fullerton.edu> [REDACTED]

Good afternoon,

Your RFI has been received and reviewed by the ASI Elections Director and Elections Advisor. At this time, it is recommended that this request be referred to the Elections Judicial Council (EJC) for review and discussion. This will be on the agenda for the next scheduled EJC meeting on Friday, February 27 at 9:30am at the TSU Board Room. It is not a requirement for you to attend, but all EJC meetings are open to the public.

After the EJC reviews the request, a written response will be shared with all candidates related to the RFI submission via email.

All the best,  
Rebecca



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**From:** Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>

**Sent:** [REDACTED]

**To:** Hesgard, Rebecca <rmhesgard2@FULLERTON.EDU>; ASI Elections <aselections@fullerton.edu>

**Subject:** ASI Election Request for Information - 2026 [#3]

CSUF external service. Use caution and confirm sender.

Requester Name (the person filling out this form) \* [REDACTED]

Requester Email \* [REDACTED]

Requester Phone Number\* [REDACTED]

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**Request for Information--Please include a detailed summary of your request including: The general description and specific application of what you would like to do, the ASI Bylaws clause you want clarification on and in what way, and any other pertinent information to your request.\***

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# ASI Election Request for Information - 2026

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#4

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Hi,

I want to know about how the link to vote on the election day will be circulated? as a candidate i have to share the link or ASI will do an public mail to every student oncampus.

Please attach any documents and/or photos relevant and/or descriptive of your request. Combine multiple documents and/or photos into one file prior to upload.

**RFI #4**

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**From** Hesgard, Rebecca <rmhesgard2@FULLERTON.EDU>

**Date** Fri 2/20/2026 6:14 PM

**To** ASI Elections <aselections@fullerton.edu>

**Cc**

**Bcc**



Good afternoon,

The ASI Elections team has received an RFI submission(s). The request(s) was reviewed by the ASI Elections Director and Elections Advisor. It was deemed appropriate to respond via email. All candidates may review the RFI language that was submitted, below, as well as the response on behalf of the ASI Elections Team.

**RFI #4:** Hi, I want to know about how the link to vote on the election day will be circulated? as a candidate i have to share the link or ASI will do an public mail to every student on campus.

**Response to RFI #4:** The current Elections Team plan is to have a pop-up window added to the student portal in coordination with campus IT on the two days of voting, March 10 and 11. ASI marketing efforts will also include promotion of the ballot on ASI social media platforms during the voting period. In addition, all candidates are encouraged to share the link to vote during that time as well.

In addition to the RFI above, we have received an additional RFI (#3) that will be brought to the next EJC meeting on Friday, February 27 at 9:30am. A response will be provided to all candidates following the meeting with feedback from the EJC membership.

All the best,  
Rebecca



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### \* Requester Name (the person filling out this form)

[REDACTED]

### \* Requester Email

[REDACTED]

### \* Requester Phone Number

[REDACTED]

**\* Request for Information--Please include a detailed summary of your request including: The general description and specific application of what you would like to do, the ASI Bylaws clause you want clarification on and in what way, and any other pertinent information to your request.**

Can an candidate share his/her Champaign in a social media group where anyone can join which is not affiliated by csuf ? and In the Instant Runoff Voting (IRV) system, explain step-by-step what happens when no candidate receives more than 50% of the first-choice votes. How are candidates eliminated, how are votes redistributed, what are exhausted ballots, and under what exact conditions does the counting process stop?

**Please attach any documents and/or photos relevant and/or descriptive of your request. Combine multiple documents and/or photos into one file prior to upload.**

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RFI #5

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**From** Hesgard, Rebecca <rmhesgard2@FULLERTON.EDU>

**Date** Tue 2/24/2026 10:09 AM

**To** ASI Elections <aselections@fullerton.edu>

**Cc**

**Bcc**

Good morning,

The ASI Elections team has received an RFI submission(s). The request(s) was reviewed by the ASI Elections Director and Elections Advisor. It was deemed appropriate to respond via email. All candidates may review the RFI language that was submitted, below, as well as the response on behalf of the ASI Elections Team.

RFI #5: Can a candidate share his/her Campaign in a social media group where anyone can join which is not affiliated by csuf ? and In the Instant Runoff Voting (IRV) system, explain step-by-step what happens when no candidate receives more than 50% of the first-choice votes. How are candidates eliminated, how are votes redistributed, what are exhausted ballots, and under what exact conditions does the counting process stop?

Response to RFI #5: On page 8-9 of the [ASI Elections Policy](#), the following are not considered "spam" communications. This means candidate(s) will not be found in violation for sharing their campaign info through these methods:

- The communication is sent through a social network, and the recipient has the author as a connection/friend/etc. on the same social network, or
- The communication is sent through a listserv/group message mechanism run by some organization and the author has permission from the leadership of that organization or is a member in good standing of that organization and the communication clearly indicates the group/listserv through which it is sent. These criteria shall not be valid for group messages sent to an entire class, academic program, or other groups/listservs which students are required to be or automatically are members of.

On page 2 of the [ASI Elections Policy](#), the Instant Run-Off Method is defined as below:

- The tabulation process for ranked choice voting where one or more eliminations occur to simulate multiple run-off elections until winner(s) are determined. This process involves voters ranking candidate(s) in order of preference on a single ballot. During tabulation, the candidate or team with the lowest number of first-choice votes is eliminated. Those votes are transferred to other candidates depending on each voter's next preference stated on their ballot. This process will repeat until a candidate or candidate team receives a majority of votes.

Additionally, our ballot platform is hosted by the vendor, Simply Voting. They explain their tabulation methods on this [FAQ](#) information page.

All the best,  
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